



# MAGIC CIRCLE PLAYERS

*Celebrating 65 Years of Live Theatre Magic*

March Teaser

News of the Magic

Circle Players

2025

Join us for a delightful evening of laughter and heartwarming moments as the Magic Circle Players present *You Can't Take It With You!* Directed by Michelle Terry, with assistance from Dru Weaver, this production promises to be a memorable experience.

We invite you to join our brilliant cast and crew as they bring to life this classic comedy. Mark your calendars for March 2025, and be prepared for a night filled with joy, eccentric characters, and the celebration of family and individuality.

*You Can't Take It With You* is a classic comedy by George S. Kaufman and Moss Hart that explores the delightful chaos of family and the importance of following one's passions. The story centers around the eccentric Sycamore family, who embrace a carefree lifestyle filled with creativity, love, and individuality.

When their daughter, Alice, (Jamie Hurst) falls in love with a more conventional young man, Tony, (Christian Pollak) the clash between their two families leads to comedic misunderstandings and heartfelt moments. The Sycamores, (Peter Ambrose, Tiffany McNeal, Chuck Richardson, Samantha Beer) their son in law Ed, (Jacob Stack) servants Reba (Evelyn Luna) and Donald, (Max Terry) their friend, (George Crosby) and a Russian dance instructor, (Chris Walsh)



Directed by Michelle Terry

YOU CAN'T

TAKE IT

WITH YOU

BY GEORGE S. KAUFMAN & MOSS HART

navigate the visit of Tony's traditional parents, the Kirbys, (Steve Warner, Rachael Paradis) with anticipation, hilarity and homemade candy! This play beautifully highlights themes of acceptance, the joy of living in the moment, and the value of family.

Join the Magic Circle Players for this whimsical production filled with laughter, quirky characters, and a poignant message about what truly matters in life. Don't miss the chance to experience this beloved play brought to life in your community theatre! Come enjoy the show – it's a perfect outing for families, friends, and anyone who appreciates a good laugh and a heartwarming story.

***We look forward to seeing you there.***

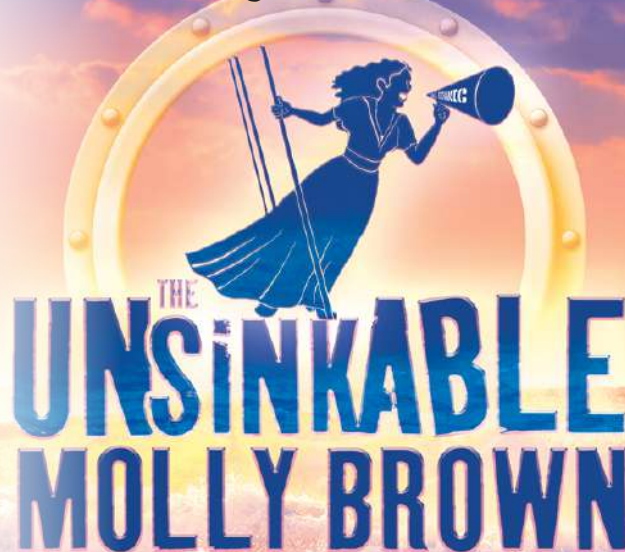
# Calendar

If you are interested in volunteering as a Magic Circle usher, please contact Lisa at [mcp@montrose.net](mailto:mcp@montrose.net) or (970)249-7838

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
9 <b>March</b>	10	11 Box office open 2pm-5pm	12	13	14  7:30pm	15 You Can't Take It With You 7:30pm
16 You Can't Take It With You 2pm	17	18 Box office open 2pm-5pm	19	20	21 You Can't Take It With You 7:30pm	22 You Can't Take It With You 7:30pm
23 You Can't Take It With You 2pm	24	25 Box office open 2pm-5pm	26	27  A Murder Mystery Event 6:30-8:30pm	28 You Can't Take It With You 7:30pm	29 Audition Workshop 9am You Can't Take It With You 7:30pm
30	31	1 <b>April</b> Box office open 2pm-5pm	2	3 MHS Presents  7pm	4 MHS Presents The Unsinkable Molly Brown 7pm	5 MHS Presents The Unsinkable Molly Brown 1pm

Come join us for the first Montrose High School musical in 6 years! In Molly Brown, this legendary American rises above her impoverished beginnings and proves you can't keep a good woman down. We hope you will come enjoy this revitalized version of the classic tale, with all-new songs and dialogue. Directed by Victoria Olson and Co-Directed by Krisi Houston, this show is sure to entertain and delight, when you see what these talented high schoolers can do!

Montrose High School Presents



April 3 · 4  
@ 7pm

April 5  
@ 1pm

# From Lisa

As I prepared this "State of the Theatre" report, I was overwhelmed with gratitude and by the generosity of this community! As I read through the list of donors, I am humbled by your belief in theatre and your willingness to invest – THANK YOU! Our dream for an exterior that invites the community to "come see the magic that is inside" has been fulfilled. Our beautiful façade, stunning front doors and show stopping sign announce that we ARE Magic Circle Players Community Theatre.

<b>Façade Remodel Construction Budget</b>		
Final Cost		\$605,540.02
		\$583,451.53
<b>Grants Received</b>		
	DART Façade Grant	\$25,000
	EI Pomar	\$10,000
	Gates Family Foundation	\$25,000
	City of Montrose	\$17,000
	Community Foundation	\$1,500
Sweeten the Pot - Honey Bottles of Coins		\$7,000
Magic Circle Players Investment		\$160,000
Friends of Magic Circle & the Community of Montrose		\$337,951
<b>Marquee Sign Budget</b>		
Grants Received		\$69,900
	DMEA/Elevate	\$25,000
	City of Montrose	\$16,000
	Community Foundation	\$2,000
Donation of Labor Cost	Montrose Signs	\$9,306
Magic Circle & Community		\$17,594

Our focus now is Building Toward our Future the Sequel as we raise capital for the interior remodel. We are working on construction drawings, and have received a \$50,000 matching grant, which YOU have already matched. Every dollar received, that is earmarked building fund is held in a separate account. We invite you to join us, as we build a lobby, bathrooms and concessions area that serves the needs of patrons, invites you to linger and build community while enjoying the magic of a theatre experience.



We are not sure how we ever functioned without Meghan Deets! She walked into the theatre a year ago to usher and now has her own name tag. She has immersed herself in our theatre community: ushering, prompting, running sound, she is learning lights, and is already scheduled to stage manage next season. Her goal is, "to learn all that I can, because I really want to direct." Meghan is a Magic Circle Players' SUPERSTAR!

MAGIC CIRCLE PLAYERS PRESENTS

## PEACE LOVE & MURDER

COME experience a Murder Mystery @ Magic Circle

MARCH 27 @ 6:30-8:30PM | DESSERT & WINE

COME IN COSTUME - DIG OUT YOUR BELL BOTTOMS, LEATHER FRINGE VESTS AND FLORALS!

- Are you intrigued by murder mystery events?
- Have you thought of PERFORMING in or HOSTING a murder mystery?
- Do you own a restaurant and want to host a UNIQUE EVENT?
- Does your business have a celebration or STAFF PARTY coming up?
- Do you want to CELEBRATE with a holiday or era themed bash?

COME Play WITH US

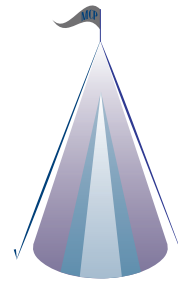
This event is FREE OF CHARGE, but an RSVP, and ticket are required. Available online or at the Box Office.

# OPPORTUNITIES FOR YOUTH!

**REGISTRATION WILL OPEN  
MONDAY, APRIL 21, 2025 @ 6:00AM!**

*Slots fill quickly, so don't wait to register!*

Magic Circle Players' highly anticipated DRAMA CAMP is held each summer and gives young actors (must be entering 3rd grade – high school seniors in the 2025 school year) the opportunity to have a full theatre experience in ONE week. Sunday starts with auditions: actors are then cast in a role, and receive a script. During the week we teach how to memorize lines, voice projection, blocking a scene, character development, and a lot of fun theatre games. On Friday, family and friends are invited to see the 45 minute production. It's a wonderful, whirlwind of a week! Scripts are original, and all actors have an equal number of lines.



YOUTH THEATRE  
**DRAMA  
CAMP**  
MAGIC CIRCLE PLAYERS

## CAMP DATES

Elementary & Middle School WEEK ONE June 22 – June 28, 2025  
Elementary & Middle School WEEK TWO July 6 – July 11, 2025  
High School Drama Camp is JULY 12 through JULY 19, 2025

*More detailed information will be available  
April 17 @ [magiccircleplayers.com](http://magiccircleplayers.com)*

## AUDITION WORKSHOP

CALLING ALL ELEMENTARY AND MIDDLE-SCHOOL AGED KIDS (7-13)

**Who: Students ages 7-13 | What: Audition Workshop**

**When: Saturday, March 29th, 2025 @ 9am-2pm** (please bring brown bag lunch)

**Where: Magic Circle Theatre @ 420 2. 12th St, Montrose, CO | Cost: Free!**

We are so excited to feature YOUNG ACTORS in this production! the workshop will be a fun filled day intensive. You will be introduced to music and choreography for Matilda, as well as other audition and theatre basics. Please note that participation in this workshop is not an audition, and will not guarantee a role in Matilda. This is an opportunity to be well prepared for the auditions in April.

COME *Audition* WITH US

ROALD DAHL'S  
**Matilda**  
THE MUSICAL

Roald Dahl's *Matilda The Musical* is a captivating masterpiece that revels in the power of imagination, and the inspiring story of a girl who dreams of a better life. Matilda is a little girl with astonishing wit, intelligence and psychokinetic powers. She's unloved by her cruel parents but impresses her schoolteacher Miss Honey, and the two forge a bond. Unfortunately, the school's mean headmistress, Miss Trunchbull, hates children and punishes those who don't abide by her rules. But Matilda has courage and cleverness in equal amounts, and could be the school pupils' saving grace! Packed with high-energy dance numbers and catchy songs, children and adults alike will be thrilled and delighted by the story of the special little girl with an extraordinary imagination.



**AUDITIONS**  
**@ Magic Circle Theatre**  
**Saturday, April 26, 2025 @ 5pm**  
**Sunday, April 27, 2025 @ 1pm**

*Audition Packets will be available at the AUDITION WORKSHOP on March 29th or online at [magiccircleplayers.com](http://magiccircleplayers.com).*



## DIRECTOR'S PERSPECTIVE

### The Tin Woman

Directed by Merrilee F. Robertson & Stasia Allyn

"The Tin Woman"! I couldn't have asked for a better show to direct. Every emotion we feel was written into this beautiful script. Molly, Scott, Amy, Eden, Aylin, Allyson and Dustin portrayed their

characters so perfectly, the audience responded with laughter, tears and applause every performance. Thank you Stasia, my co-director for your patience but most of all for your masterful blocking this show!

Thank you Ron for being my "go-fer" for the last few months! *Merrilee F. Robertson*

I enjoyed all the talent the cast brought to the production of Tin Woman. The audience got to experience all the "feels" with this play. It was a delight to assist Merrilee with bringing the vision of this well written play to life! *Stasia Allyn*



### My Funny Valentine Around the World

Directed by Lisa Rediger

Directing a production is a magical experience! I can picture a show in my head, but I do not have all the skills to transform ideas into reality. But, when collaborating with an incredibly talented and dedicated crew



and cast, all those swirling imaginations take form. A director has the joy of seeing a dream become full living color, and the delight of sharing that joy with a stage full of remarkable volunteers, and a generous audience. My heart is bursting with gratitude for the opportunity to create community and theatre.



Photos by Julien Kibler



*Are you interested in learning about*

## DIRECTING AT MAGIC CIRCLE?

Magic Circle Players offers a six week Director Training Workshop, followed by the opportunity to direct a ONE ACT production. If you are interested in learning more, please contact Lisa at [mcp@montrose.net](mailto:mcp@montrose.net)





It's a WRAP! *The Tin Woman*  
Photos by Johnny Lee



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